

Sunday Nite.
July 26-42

Dear Grandmama

I thought I would let you know that I am in the Army. As a matter of fact I have been for the past three weeks.

I have heard rumors from that section of the world, and not thru Aunt Grace, that I tried to dodge the draft. I wish to let you know what it is all about. I had a job as a caulker at the Letter-kenny Ordnance Depot. Now, when my son found out that I had to go in the Army the Company tried to have me deferred without my knowledge as I was one of the only two caulkers they had left. They did inform me of their action after they had made out the papers. The draft has stripped them of all their key men nearly and they are trying to save what they have left untill the job is finished.

Washington is raising the devil about
the job being slow + yet they are
taking the best men they have + are
leaving them the riff-raff. So if
any one says anything just inform
them that they were misinformed -

I will only be here for a few
days so do not write until I ~~am~~
~~will~~ know where I am going to
be stationed.

So bad about George - Hope you
are well + O.K. Give Miss Mary
my regards -

Love

Ray -

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